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Advertisement.

BEING ſtrictly enjoined by my late Inſtructions to enforce the punctual Payment of his Majeſty's Quitrents, it is expected, for the future, that every Sheriff ſhould ſettle with the Auditor, and pay the Money into the Receiver's Office, on or before the Day appointed by Law; and all Sheriffs who are yet in Arrear to this Revenue cannot expect any farther Indulgence. RICHARD CORBIN, D. R. G.

An ACCOUNT *of a* STAGE COACH CONVERSATION, *and a Deſcription of the Parties between whom it was carried on.*

[From The Younger Brother, a Tale, juſt publiſhed.]

I WENT into the Houſe, and inquired whether the Coach had gone by; and I had ſcarce aſked the Queſtion before it ſtopped at the Door. The Paſſengers alighted, were ſhown into a Room, and ordered Breakfaſt. One Place, and one only, was vacant; which having taken, I joined the Company, and breakfaſted along with them. After which, we ſtowed ourſelves in the Coach as conveniently as we could.

Being off the Stones, and fairly upon the Road. "And ſo, "Mrs. Pilch (ſays Mr. Dowlaſs, a Linen Draper in Cheapſide) you are "going to London, you ſay. But what makes you bring them there "Children along with you? They are werry expenſive upon the Road, "and werry inconvenient too. O, Sir (replied the poor Woman) I am "obliged to take them with me, and the more is the Pity; and, what "is ſtill worſe, I am afraid I muſt ſoon part with them for ever." The poor Creature wept; which being obſerved by the Children, after ſaying, "Why do you cry, Mammy?" they burſt into Tears likewiſe, "No, "no, my dear Babes (continued ſhe) I'll not loſe you, if I can help it. "Your poor Daddy charged me to bring you back, if the Governours "would but allow me Half the Salary; and I don't think I can leave "you, if they won't give me a Shilling."

"O! (ſaid Mr. Dowlaſs) now you mention Governours, I ſuppoſe "theſe here Children are ſome Nurſelings, belonging to the Foundling "Hoſpital." "Yes, Sir (replied the good Woman) they are indeed, "and now they are called in; but it almoſt breaks my Heart to think of "parting with them, for I love them as well as any of my own."

Mr. Jones, a Gentleman who ſat oppoſite, and who ſeemed abſorbed in Thought, put out his Hand, and dropped ten or a Dozen Shillings into the Nurſe's Lap, which he had forgot to put into his Pocket, when he took his Change at the Inn. "How now, Sir! (ſaid Dowlaſs) you've "made a Miſtake, I believe; why, you've given the Woman a Handful "of Silver." I thought they had been Halfpence (ſays Jones) but it is "all one; ſhe deſerves them. Who ſays that an Engliſh Matron may "not vie with the boaſted One of Rome?"

Miſs Polly Pertly obſerved, "That ſhe thought it extremely odd that "People ſhould be ſo fond of dirty Brats that did not belong to them; "that, for her Part, ſhe could not help thinking but that thoſe who "countenanced them were no better than they ſhould be; and that ſhe "ſhould not be ſorry if the Foundling Hoſpital was all in a Blaze, for "that it was only an Encouragement to Whoring." But, indeed, ſuch an Expreſſion was not much to be wondered at, when we conſider that it was uttered by what the World, in Civility, commonly call an *Old Maid*; for Miſs Pertly was at leaſt forty Years of Age; poſſeſſed of all the virtuous Notions of unmarried Ladies of that Period of Life, and yet, in Reality, full as wanton as a Girl of ſixteen.

The Nurſe's Feelings, however, were of another Nature. "Ah! "Madam (cried ſhe) you perhaps never had any Children of your own; "you do not know what it is to ſuckle a Child. Theſe poor Babes "have neither Father nor Mother to proteſt them; and were it not for "the Hoſpital, and the Affection of me and my poor Huſband, they "would want even a Morſel of Bread." Miſs Pertly replied, that they might have both Fathers and Mothers, for what any Body knew to the contrary. "Very true, Madam (ſaid the Nurſe) and, if they be living, "God will judge them for abandoning theſe little helpleſs Infants." Miſs Pertly replied,

"Say, little fooliſh fluttering Thing,
"Little fooliſh fluttering Thing."

"Do you mean to apply that to yourſelf, Madam?" ſaid Mr. Jones. "O no, Sir (anſwered Probe, a young Surgeon, who was going to walk "the Hoſpitals) that is a Song in the Padlock, and I ſhould be glad if "the Lady would favour us with it."

Mr. Jones ſighed; the Lady ſung the Song. Probe made her many pretty Compliments. Dowlaſs was polite alſo in his Way; but obſerved, that he never ſpent a Shilling on a Play in his Life, and he was determined he never would. And Jones, after a ſhort Pauſe, giving a hearty Groan, ſeated one of the Children on his Knee, and the other between his Legs; and then fell back in the Coach, as if he was deſirous of abſtracting himſelf from all the reſt of the Company.

A broken, mixed, and diſjointed Converſation, with frequent Intervals of Silence and Sleep (which is generally the Caſe among Paſſengers in theſe publick Vehicles) filled up moſt of our Time. Miſs Pertly, indeed, prated apace; but every now and then ſhe and Probe maintained a dumb Dialogue, if I may be admitted the Term, with wonderful Spirit. She ogled, he leered; ſhe nodded, he ſmacked the Palm of his Hand, and blew the precious Kiſs towards her. Pretending that his Leg was cramped, he wedged his Knee between hers; and now and then, by Way of Amuſement, they played at Pit-a-pat with their Hands, firſt upon his Knee, and then upon hers.

When we arrived at the Inn where the Paſſengers uſually dine, Miſs Pertly ordered a Fricaſſee of Rabbits to be added to the Bill of Fare, becauſe, forſooth, ſhe was not accuſtomed to dine on roaſt Beef and Plum Pudding alone. The Cook was very expeditious; the Dinner was ſerved up; and, taking her proper Place at the Head of the Table, the Lady obſerved that ſhe was very glad the Nurſe and the two Foundlings dined in the Kitchen; adding, that ſhe could not conceive why Stage Coaches were ſtuffed with ſuch Trumpery. Mr. Jones gave her a Look of Contempt, but Probe made her happy with a ſweet Smile of Approbation; while Dowlaſs was buſy in tucking a Napkin into the upper Button Hole of his Coat.

The major Part of the Company would have been content to drink good Table Beer, and a Bottle or two of Port; but Mr. Probe inſiſted that Miſs Pertly ſhould declare whether ſhe choſe Madeira or Champaigne. The prudent Dowlaſs immediately renounced being concerned in either; and Mr. Jones, after obſerving that a ſenſible Man might ſpend what Money he had to ſpare to greater Advantage, eat up his Dinner, and withdrew into the Kitchen, to ſee that the Children had their Bellies full. However, the Champaigne was called for, and the Landlord produced an excellent Pottle of Staffordſhire Perry; which they declared to be the Thing, the only Nectar for People of the true *Bon Ton*.

After the Table was cleared, Mr. Dowlaſs, who had advanced towards the Fire with an Intent to light his Pipe, obſerved a Map of London hanging over the Chimney Piece; and, addreſſing himſelf to me, ſaid, "I ſuppoſe, Sir, you are very well acquainted with London." I anſwered, that I had never ſeen London in my Life. "What! (cried he, amazed) "ſtep here then, and I'll ſhow you London in a Minute. You ſhall "know it. See here, Sir, this is a Map of the whole City. There, "there, that is St. Paul's Church; that is the Bookſeller's at one Cor"ner of the Churchyard, and that is the Trunkmaker's at the other. "Now this is Cheapſide, look ye; that is Bow Church; why, I was "born within the Sound of Bow Bell; and there, juſt there (you ſee "that little Nook) that is my Shop, where I ſhall be very glad to ſee "you when you come to Town."

I thanked my communicative Fellow Traveller, and promiſed to wait upon him. He took a printed Card out of his Pocket, leſt I ſhould forget his Name and Place of Abode; and ſaid, that, if I wanted any Thing in his Way, he would ſerve me as reaſonably as any Man in the Kingdom.

And now, all being ready, we bundled into the Coach again. Dowlaſs for ſome Time talked largely of his extenſive Dealings, of his Stock in the Funds, and of his Importance as a Citizen. He ſaid, that he had the Honour of repreſenting Cheap Ward in Common Council for ten years *ſucceſsfully*. But he was ſilenced at length by Miſs Pertly, who gave us a very copious Account of the Amuſements of the Opera Houſe, Mrs. Cornely's, and the Theatres Royal, with which young Probe ſeemed quite raviſhed. Nobody elſe could ſpeak a Word, for her Tongue ran inceſſantly; now ſinging, now babbling a Parcel of incoherent Sentences, and now again warbling the Scraps of a few Songs. All this, which Probe looked upon as Vivacity, I believe Mr. Jones conſidered as Impertinence; for, taking ſome Gingerbread Nuts out of his Pocket, he divided them equally between the two Children, and deſired them to let him hear if they could not ſing as pretty a Song as the Lady; whereupon the one gave us the old Ballad of the London Prentice, and the other ſung the King and the Tinker.

Whether Miſs Pertly was offended at the artleſs Strains of the two Foundlings, or whether ſhe thought us too low and vulgar for her to aſſociate with, I know not; but, being arrived at the End of the Stage, ſhe and the young Surgeon went into a private Room and ſupped by themſelves. No One was mortified at this, as her Room was much more agreeable than her Company. The Evening paſſed away pleaſantly enough.

[The Author concludes this Stage Coach Adventure with relating, that, towards Bed Time, a Circumſtance happened that ſurpriſed him: The Door of the Room where Probe and the Lady ſupped was directly oppoſite to that in which the reſt of the Company were, and he having Occaſion to withdraw for a few Minutes, on his Return accidentally turned to the left inſtead of the right, and, opening the Door, diſcovered the young Surgeon and his Inamorata; but how! he forbears to deſcribe.]

THE GENEROUS RUSSIAN.

IF Peter the Great excited the Wonder of all Europe when he married Catherine, the Relict of a Swediſh Soldier, all the great Families in Peterſburg were little leſs amazed at the Alliance formed by Count M—ſki, who was deſcended from one of the beſt Families in Ruſſia, with a foreign young Woman of low Degree, who had for ſome Time been conſidered as his Miſtreſs. They were amazed, becauſe, though moſt of them were acquainted with his Perſon, ſcarcely any could conceive the Generoſity of his Temper, and none knew the Particulars of the Story.

Elizabeth Petrowna, who ſucceeded to the Empire of Ruſſia, inherited much of her Father's Sagacity; and, beſides publick Embaſſies, held many private Negotiations with foreign States, and uſed often to employ M—ſki on ſuch Occaſions.

Having ſome State Intrigues to carry on in Poland, the Empreſs ſent this truſty Servant, diſguiſed, to execute her Purpoſes. Amongſt the various Buſineſs which he had in Charge, one Part of it was to ſurpriſe M. Kl—nitz (a Relation of the Mareſchal Apraxin) who was ſuſpected of carrying on certain Plots againſt the Ruſſian Government. M—ſki took with him but one Servant, whoſe Fidelity he thought he could depend on, and went cheerfully on his Expedition, having Letters to ſome of his own Countrymen then in Poland, who were to aſſiſt him in his Undertaking. However, he ſoon found himſelf betrayed; Kl—nitz was appriſed of the Deſign formed againſt him, and removed to a Place of Safety; but this was not all, for one Day, as he was walking by himſelf in a lonely Place, he was ſuddenly attacked by four Men, againſt whom he in vain attempted to defend himſelf. They diſarmed and bound him, then threw him into a Pit where they told him he muſt wait the Arrival of their Maſter M. Kl—nitz, who would determine what was to be done with him.

It is eaſy to conceive what a diſagreeable Situation this of the Count's muſt be, when he thus found himſelf on the very Point of being delivered up to One whom he muſt naturally conſider as his mortal Enemy, and whom in a few Minutes he expected to arrive and ſatiate his Revenge.

But in the Interim, while he lay thus forlorn and helpleſs, an old Farmer paſſing by, attracted by his Groans, and ſeeing a Perſon who had the Appearance of a Gentleman in ſuch Diſtreſs, with ſome Difficulty helped him out, and took him home to his Houſe, where he preſented him to his Wife and Daughter, the latter of whom was a pretty young Girl about ſeventeen, with whoſe Perſon and Converſation the Count was much delighted, and where he remained till the next Morning.

Having happily executed all his Affairs in Poland, except the ſeizing of Kl—nitz, this Nobleman returned to Ruſſia, and, with a grateful Heart for his Eſcape from Danger and from Death, kept an annual Faſt on the Day of his happy Deliverance.

Before he quitted Poland he had made many Tenders of his Service to his Preſerver, all of which, together with a large Sum of Money, the wealthy Farmer refuſed. M—ſki then caſt his Eyes upon his Daughter, and aſked him if he would truſt him with the Care of her future Fortune, offering to take her with him to the Ruſſian Court; but this alſo had been denied by her Father, who even expreſſed ſome Diſſatisfaction at the Offer.

Nevertheleſs, this young Girl was fated to owe her Fortune to the Hand of her noble Gueſt; for the Count being again ſent, about three Years after, to Poland, in a publick Capacity, taking a Walk in the Fields one Day, in Harveſt Time, as was his uſual Cuſtom, he perceived a young Woman in mean Attire, of whoſe Face he thought he had ſome Knowledge, begging moſt earneſtly for a few Sheaves of Corn, which the Reapers churliſhly denied her. Beckoning her to approach, in Order to beſtow an Alms upon her, what was his Surpriſe to recollect in her Face the Features of Thereſa, his Preſerver's Daughter! On inquiring how ſhe came to be thus reduced, ſhe informed him that ſome of her Father's Neighbours, envying his Wealth, had accuſed him as a Partiſan of a certain Nobleman, who was then in Cuſtody for Crimes committed againſt the State; that the Farmer, affrighted at that Circumſtance, fled away by Night, and had never been heard of afterwards; but all his Property was ſeized, by an Order from the Government. "I was to have followed him (ſaid Thereſa) but was arreſted on my Way, and carried before the Magiſtrate of the Diſtrict, who on Examination diſmiſſed me, clear indeed from any imputed Crime, but expoſed to Want and Beggary. It is about ſix Months ſince this Event took Place, the greateſt Part of which Time I ſpent with a female Relation, who, though in narrow Circumſtances herſelf, yet contrived to ſupport me; whilſt I, in Return, executed for her the Office of a faithful Servant. But Death having deprived me of this Friend a few Weeks ſince, and Heaven being pleaſed to afflict me with a ſevere Sickneſs, from whence I am but juſt recovered, unable by any Means to gain a Subſiſtence, I have been obliged to ſubmit to beg the Bread I cannot earn, and have lived to be refuſed a few Sheaves of Corn in theſe Fields of which my Father once was the Owner."

Struck with this Relation, and remembering the Service Thereſa's Father had done him, the Count bade her follow him; and having provided her with Neceſſaries and Refreſhment, propoſed to her (as he had formerly done to her Father) to take her with him on his Return to Ruſſia. To which ſhe conſented, but not till he had pleged his Honour and his Oath not to attempt by any Means to violate her Chaſtity; "for my Lord (ſays ſhe) you may depend I will never give up that which I have already ſubmitted to Beggary to preſerve."

Thereſa being ſatisfied in this Point, Count M——ſki took her with him to Peterſburg, where he hired her a handſome Houſe, at which he often viſited her; and though theſe Viſits were conducted with the greateſt Decorum, yet the Lady was ſoon reported to be the Miſtreſs of his private Pleaſures, a Circumſtance which gave her great Uneaſineſs, but that the Count quieted her Anxiety by aſſuring her it ſhould not be long before he would either provide a ſuitable Match for her or otherwiſe ſecure her in an independent State.

All this While that Nobleman ſecretly loved her, and he thought he perceived an Inclination of the ſame Kind nouriſhed in her Breaſt; but willing to prove whether ſhe affected his Perſon, or only his Fortune, after having viſited her one Day dreſſed and attended in a far more brilliant Manner than uſual, as parting he ſlipped a Billet into her Hand, wherein he declared his Paſſion for her, and propoſed to make her his Wife. This Declaration was received by her with the moſt delicate Senſibility; nevertheleſs, in the Anſwer ſhe returned him, ſhe wiſhed him to conſider how far it would be conſiſtent with his Dignity to match himſelf with One ſo much below him, and urged many prudential Reaſons to the contrary, which, however, M—ſki, at another Viſit, removed.

But when the Day was fixed for their Marriage, how much was the intended Bride ſurpriſed to ſee the Count ſuddenly enter her Houſe with his drawn Sword all bloody, and to hear him beg a Shelter there, declaring he had killed a Perſon of the firſt Quality, and was cloſely purſued by the Officers of Juſtice. At firſt, the Shock being too much for her, ſhe ſwooned away; but when ſhe came to herſelf her Grief did not prevent her from aſſuring him of an Aſylum with her, if it were poſſible to conceal him. "If not (ſaid ſhe) my Lord, by changing Cloaths with "me, you may perhaps eſcape the Fury of the Purſuers." "What then "will become of you?" ſaid her Lover. "I am content! (anſwered the charming Maid) to leave that to Providence; if I cannot fly with you, I may die for you; or, if all theſe Things ſhould fail, at leaſt we can periſh together, ſince I am determined never to ſurvive the Loſs of him "to whoſe Bounty only it is owing that I am alive this Day to tell him ſo."

This generous Reſolution immediately determined the Count to throw off all Diſguiſe: He claſped her to his Breaſt, confeſſed the innocent Artifice; and after having told her the agreeable News that her Father had taken Refuge in Denmark, where he was well provided for, he gave Orders for the nuptial Preparations to proceed, and, by the Empreſs's expreſs Conſent, married her the next Day, in the Face of all Peterſburg, whoſe Inhabitants, being generally unacquainted with his Motives, were ſtruck with Aſtoniſhment at the extraordinary Proceedings.

In the Year 1766 this happy Couple were yet living, and their Houſe was frequented by Perſons of the firſt Rank; but domeſtick Duties and domeſtick Pleaſure chiefly employed their Attention, and the Count, who had relinquiſhed his Employments at Court, generally ſpent his Mornings in Study and Devotions, and his Evenings either in an agreeable *Tête a Tête* with his Lady, or elſe in ſharing with her in the Amuſements of Muſick and Singing, both which they were peculiarly fond of, or in recounting the Adventures of their earlier Years, looking back with Pleaſure on paſt Toils, and rendering Thanks to Heaven for their preſent Happineſs.

COPENHAGEN, *May* 2.

THE Day after the Execution of Struenſee and Brandt the Scaffold was taken down, by the Executioners Valets. Counſellor Struenſee is now releaſed from his Chains, and none of the other State Priſoners have, as yet, been conducted to the Citadel. A Detachment of Dragoons has entered Aalbourg.

LONDON, *May* 7.

THE Ship Alexandria, John Haſtie Maſter, arrived at Port Glaſgow the 26th ult. and about two Hundred and ſeventy Leagues from Virginia met with the Wreck of a Schooner called the Vigorous, William Fitch Maſter, of and from Liverpool, in Nova Scotia, bound for St. Martin's. The Schooner had her Decks carried away by the Sea, and the Captain and all the Hands belonging to her had been waſhed overboard, excepting one Ralph Norgood, who had laſhed himſelf to one of the Timbers, and before he was taken off the Wreck by Captain Haſtie had been five Days in that Situation, living on raw dried Fiſh and Rain Water. Part of the Cargo being dried Fiſh, brought many Sharks into the Veſſel as ſhe lay on her Broadſide. The poor Man was almoſt inſenſible when taken up, but is now quite well.

Lord North had ſome Converſation with a foreign Miniſter, who aſked him why he was ſo ſtrongly wedded to an Opinion that the general Pacification of Europe would continue ten Years. His Lordſhip anſwered, that if the various Powers of Europe really know their own Intereſt there never would be another War, but that Policy itſelf would become a Guarantee to the Rights of Humanity.

May 16. On Thurſday the Houſe of Commons agreed to the following Reſolutions, namely: That after the Expiration of the preſent Drawback of the Duties of the Cuſtoms upon Tea exported to Ireland and the Britiſh Plantations a Drawback be allowed of three fifth Parts of the Duties of Cuſtoms payable upon the Importation of ſuch Teas, for a limited Time.

It is ſaid that the Dowry of the Queen of Denmark, which has been demanded by the Britiſh Miniſter, has been peremptorily refuſed by the Court of Copenhagen; which Refuſal, it is thought, will produce ſome very unpleaſing Circumſtances.

It is ſaid that the Right Honourable Colonel Barré is going on a ſecret Embaſſy to Spain, as ſoon as the Houſe breaks up.

May 19. Letters from the North of Ireland adviſe that the Inſurrections of the Populace are entirely quelled, and that many of the Inſurgents, who were chiefly compoſed of Farmers and Weavers, are preparing to embark for America.

Advice is received from Sir Robert Murray Keith that the Court of Denmark are plotting Something more againſt the Queen, in Order to take her off; but that he apprehends, before they proceed any further againſt her, ſome other Perſons, who are Well-wiſhers to her, will be cut off, it having been noticed to the Publick that there will be more Executions in a ſhort Time.

Orders are given for a Fleet of Ships to be ready to ſail at a few Hours Notice. Their Deſtination is not known, but it is imagined they are bound up the Baltick.

They write from Madrid that the King of Spain, at the Inſtance of the Britiſh Ambaſſadour, had given Orders for all the Subjects of Great Britain in Priſon at Cadiz and Carthagena to be immediately releaſed, and forwarded to their own Country.

ST. JAMES's, *May* 18. This Afternoon, between three and four o'Clock, his Royal Highneſs the Duke of Glouceſter arrived from Italy, in perfect Health, and immediately waited on their Majeſties at Kew.

BRISTOL, *May* 16. Yesterday Morning the celebrated Jonathan Britain was executed at St. Michael's Hill. He left Newgate between eleven and twelve, and arrived at the fatal Tree about one o'Clock. He behaved with remarkable Decency, Penitence, and Devotion; sung, prayed, and exhorted the People, with much Fervour and Affection; acknowledged the Justice of his Sentence, and declared his hearty Forgiveness of all his Prosecutors. The Executioner being tedious in the Performance of his Duty, Britain assisted him; he then delivered to the Turnkey his Watch and Cravat, kissed him, and launched into Eternity with a satisfactory Hope of Salvation.

DUBLIN, *April* 25. We hear from the County of Antrim that six of the unhappy Creatures called Hearts of Steel were found guilty of houghing Cattle, and another of high Treason, for setting Fire to and burning a House, for which they are to be executed.

By Letters from Armagh we are informed that the Grand Jury of that County have found seven Bills of Indictment against riotous Insurgents.

We learn from the Curragh of Kildare that a certain Earl won seven Thousand Guineas on Tuesday last, by taking up Bets again the whole Field.

BELFAST, *April* 21. At the Assizes at Carrickfergus, Philip M^c Manus, Servant to William Agnew, of Hilwaughey, Esquire, was tried on three Indictments, and found guilty of each, for breaking open a Portmanteau and stealing one Thousand and fifty Pounds in Cash, and carrying off his Master's Horse, Saddle and Bridle. [This Person was sent over from York Castle to Ireland, to be tried for this Offence.]

CHARLESTOWN *(South Carolina)* June 18.

UPON the Decease of John Hughes, Esquire, late Collector of his Majesty's Customs for this Port, the Right Honourable Lord Charles Greville Montagu, Governour in Chief, &c. of this Province, was pleased to appoint Roger Peter Handasyde Hatley, Esquire, to succeed Mr. Hughes. Last Week George Roupell, Esquire, received a Deputation from the Board of Commissioners at Boston, appointing him to that Office. On Wednesday the 10th Instant, after taking the usual Oaths before James Simpson, Esquire, he took Possession of it, and did Business. Upon the Governour's Return from the Frontiers, his Excellency was pleased to direct Mr. Hatley to resume the Duties of his Office, under the Commission that had been given him. Mr. Roupell looked upon his Appointment to be a legal One, refused to give up the Office, and both Collectors did Business as they were applied to, each disputing the legal Authority of the other, and Mr. Roupell that of the Governour. Some Councils have been held upon this Occasion; in Consequence whereof, on Tuesday, Mr. Roupell was suspended, and Mr. Hatley received a new Commission. Both Collectors again did Business yesterday, and Mr. Roupell kept the Office Seal. In the Afternoon Mr. Hatley put an additional Lock to the Door, which this Morning was broke off and thrown away, and Mr. Roupell does the Business. John Morris, Esquire, Comptroller, is also suspended, for refusing any other Collector than Mr. Roupell. But as these Gentlemen seem determined to act notwithstanding their Suspension, it remains now to be decided at home whether the Governours, in their respective Provinces, or the Board of Commissioners, at Boston, have the superiour Authority to fill up casual Vacancies in the Customs. This being a new and extraordinary Dispute, we thought it our Duty to give the Publick the best Information we have been able to procure relative thereto, without designing to give Offence to any of the Parties.

June 25. We had a very gloomy Appearance for this Year's Crop, as well in Corn and Indigo, as Rice, till the Beginning of this Month, since which we have had the most promising Season imaginable.

BOSTON, *July* 6.

WE are assured that the Honourable House of Representatives, by a Majority of eighty five out of one Hundred and four Members, did the last Week pass a Number of decent and manly Resolves respecting the Governour's having and receiving a Support independent of the General Assembly, a Copy of which we have not yet received.

We hear from Newport, Rhode Island, that on the Evening of the 28th of last Month a Number of People in Disguise went on Board a Sloop lying in that Harbour, which some Time before arrived there from the West Indies with about fifty Hogsheads of Sugars that were entered for Exportation, and after taking out the two Waiters belonging to the Custom-house, and confining them on Board an empty Vessel that lay there, took out the whole Cargo, and the next Morning attempted to go off with the Vessel also, but were overtaken by the Custom-house Boat, and brought back again.

PROVIDENCE, *July* 4.

SINCE the last Captain John Peck arrived here from the River Mississippi, with whom came Passenger Joseph Nash, Esquire, of this Town. By him we learn that since the Conclusion of the Peace the French and Spaniards had seduced seven Nations of Indians from the English, by Means of Medals, Colours, and other Presents, and settled them on the western Banks of the Mississippi; but that John Thomas, Esquire, Deputy Superintendent of Indian Affairs in that Department, has lately arrived there, and from his former Acquaintance with the Indians, and surprising Influence he has over them, all the above Nations have determined to return and settle on the English Side of the River. The warlike Nation of the Arkansas have determined to join the Chickasaws, Shawanese, and Cherokees, in a War against the Kickapoos, for killing some English Settlers on the Ohio and Mississippi.

We further learn, that an unhappy Dispute having lately arisen between the Superintendent and Mr. Harris, a Merchant's Clerk at Fort-Bute, on the River, they both drew their Swords, when Mr. Harris was killed on the Spot, and the Superintendent slightly wounded. He immediately delivered himself up, and was to take his Trial at Pensacola.

A few Days before Captain Peck sailed from New Orleans an Ordinance was published by the Governour of Louisiana, by Order of his Catholick Majesty, prohibiting the Introduction of all Sorts of foreign Cotton Stuffs, or other Stuffs mixed with Cotton, under the Penalty of such Goods being confiscated, and of twenty Bits for every Yard of such Goods that shall be seized. The like Prohibition, we learn, will take Place throughout his Catholick Majesty's Dominions.

NEWHAVEN, *July* 10.

LAST Wednesday Evening, about Half after nine o'Clock, began to appear an extraordinary Appearance of the Aurora Borealis, or Northern Light, which ended with the Morning Twilight. While it continued, it was, for the most Part, of an uniform Lustre; but there were some Intervals, when it almost disappeared. The main Body lay above the Horizon, in the Form of a regular Arch, the highest Part of which might be about nine or ten Degrees above it, and directly under the Pole Star. The Arch subtended about one Hundred and twenty Degrees of the Horizon, and was mostly of a pallid Hue; from which, as a Ground Work, there would frequently dart forth, in quick Successions, brighter Gleams of Light, resembling Pillars of Smoke in Forms of Pyramids, to the Heighth of about twenty five Degrees above the Horizon. But what was most extraordinary attending the general Phenomenon, was a very conspicuous and constant Corruscation, or Flashing of Light, from the fore-mentioned Arch, which, by an undulatory Motion, would spread promiscuously through all Parts of the Appearance, like Flashes of Lightning from Clouds; but no Noise was heard from it. The Lustre was so great, in some Parts, that the two Pointers in the Constellation of the Great Bear were almost rendered invisible, which otherwise would have been very conspicuous, as the Sky was very serene during the Whole. The Wind at due North.

ALBANY, *July* 22.

WE hear that Sir William Johnson has, after several Meetings with the Deputies from the Mississagues, who came to him on Account of the Murder of their People, at length obtained their strongest Assurances that they would not attempt to retaliate on any of his Majesty's Subjects, and that they appeared thoroughly satisfied; whereupon he distributed them with very handsome Presents, and Belts, &c. to the Chiefs of that Nation.

Extract of a Letter from a Gentleman in Orange County to his Friend.

"I have Nothing more to add, but that Mr. ——— ran away on Saturday, married on Sunday, went to Jail on Monday, was tried on Tuesday, and cleared on Wednesday. Sudden Changes indeed, and a Variety of them."

NEW YORK, *July* 20.

LAST Monday Morning, about two o'Clock, after a painful and lingering Illness, which he bore with uncommon Patience and Christian Fortitude, departed this Life the Honourable Colonel RICHARD MAITLAND, Deputy Adjutant General to his Majesty's Troops in America, in the 48th Year of his Age, universally lamented by all his Acquaintance, as an affectionate Friend to Mankind. He was the fourth Son of the Right Honourable Charles Earl of Lauderdale, Viscount Maitland, Baron of Musselburgh and Bolton, by Anne Ogilvie, Daughter of the Right Honourable James Ogilvie, Baron Deskford, and Earl of Findlater, Viscount Redhaven, and Earl of Seafield. He was a Person of excellent Qualities, every Way suitable to the Nobility of his Birth, and the Rank whereunto he was promoted in the Army. He was polite in his Address, of a sweet, affable, and benevolent Disposition; without the least Tincture of the sour and austere, of the captious and censorious, of the assuming and over-bearing. He was of a frank, open, and generous Mind; a Stranger to all Artifice and Disguise. Faithfulness and Veracity, Honour and Integrity, Candour and Humanity, were his just Characteresticks; which rendered him amiable and respected, by as many as were within the Sphere of his Acquaintance. The Death of a Person possessed of so many social Virtues, may be justly lamented as a publick Loss. His Remains were deposited, with all the military Honours due to his Rank, in Trinity Churchyard, on Tuesday the 14th Instant.

On Monday last a little Boy not quite four Years of Age, Son of one Black, near Peck's Slip, fell in the Dock and was drowned. He was taken out in a few Minutes after he fell into the Water; and though all Means that could be devised were used for his Recovery, they proved ineffectual.

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 30.

ONE Donald Macpherson, Skipper of a James River Craft, lying with his Vessel at Warwick, about a Fortnight ago, had her robbed of some Articles by a Negro, whom he afterwards had the Opportunity of correcting for it. Some little Time afterwards the Fellow came upon the Bank and gave Macpherson scurrilous Language, who thereupon jumped ashore to lay Hold of the Negro; and he, to avoid him, ran into the Water. Macpherson followed him; and closing with him, both perished together.——This Macpherson, who was a Serjeant in Colonel Fraser's Highland Regiment at Quebeck, came from thence, a few Years ago, with some others of that Corps (having been discharged) to look for Bread; and by his Industry, and good Behaviour, had acquired a Vessel of his own, with the Esteem and Confidence of the Gentlemen who employed him.

The CHRISTIAN LAYMAN's *third Letter is come to Hand, and will have a Place in our next.*

To the CHRISTIAN LAYMAN.

SIR,

I HAVE been waiting, with Impatience, to see your Criticism on the Words *αιων & αιωνιος* and the Texts which contain them; for it will be much more to our Purpose to examine what is the Declaration of God than what is the Opinion of Man, with Respect to our present Dispute. When finite Reason is employed in an Inquiry infinitely beyond its Reach and Comprehension, the wisest Men put but little Confidence in it; they know how apt it is to deceive them: "What most we *wish* we soon *believe*." The Faculties of the human Mind are great, and are displayed in a Thousand Instances, which justly give us an exalted Opinion of their Extent; but if we will consider that these great Displays of Genius are chiefly visible in those Arts and Sciences which depend on demonstrable Propositions, deduced from Self-evident Truths, that every other Branch of human Knowledge is extremely deficient, that our metaphysical Disquisitions are mere Guess-Work, and our logical Deductions often but ingenious Deceptions, I say, if we consider this, we must confess that the Extent of human Knowledge is not so great as we would, at first View, vainly imagine, and that *Reason* alone cannot be a sufficient Guide in our present Inquiry. I think, therefore, Sir, that you have laid too much Stress on your Arguments drawn from Reason and from the supposed universal Consent of Mankind. You must excuse me for telling you that you might as well attempt to prove (by the Authorities you have brought from Greece, Egypt, Persia, India, and China) a Plurality of Gods, and the Transmigration of Souls, as *the universal Restitution of human Nature to its original Perfection and Happiness*; for the *universal Consent* you lay such Stress on has been often employed to prove the Plurality of Gods. *Esse igitur Deos confitendum est*, says Tully; and I think I may venture to affirm that as great a Part of the World have believed in the Plurality of Gods, and the Transmigration of the Soul, as believe now, or ever did believe, in the *universal Restitution*, &c. I never thought the universal Consent of Mankind a good Argument to prove even the Being of a God, nor regarded it any farther than as founded on a Tradition which I believe was derived from a divine Revelation. But you know many great Men have denied that there is such universal Consent even in that great, and, as One would think, evident Point. How then can we expect to find it in a Matter of so abstruse a Nature, and so far removed from the Ken of human Reason? We cannot find it, and I positively deny that Mankind do, or ever did, agree in this important Article of Faith, as explained by you; and I will prove presently, that, if they agree in any Thing, it is in a Belief that the incurably Wicked are *eternally* punished. But what does your Quotation from Plato's Phædo prove (which, by the Bye, I wish you had quoted more particularly, and had referred to the Chapter or Page, for I cannot find it) but that he, or Socrates his Master, had seen or heard of some of the Prophecies contained in the Scriptures? And may not the Doctrine of the primitive Perfection of Nature, and the Restitution of it, which you tell us prevails amongst the Egyptians, Persians, &c. be found to have its Origin in the Scriptures? Is it not more than probable that the Philosophers who resorted to Egypt acquired some of that divine Learning which the Egyptian Priests had collected or received from the *Jews*; and propagated it in Greece, from whence it easily spread over all the then known World? You certainly know, Sir, or at least believe, that the *Restitution* you mention, whatever the *Brachmans* may think of it, has been thought, by *Christians*, to be a *Restitution to Immortality*, which Mankind had lost by Sin, and forfeited all Pretensions to. But to proceed to my Proof that Mankind did not agree in a Belief that the Wicked will not be eternally punished; and here I shall first have Recourse to the very Author you have quoted in Favour of a quite contrary Opinion: Plato, in his Phædo, Chapter 45th, Page 178th, Line the 20th, in the CAMBRIDGE Edition of Plato's Select Dialogues, 1683, says, "They whose Sins are incurable, and have been guilty of Sacrilege and Murder, or such other Crimes, are thrown headlong into Tartarus (*ὀθεν ουποτε ἐξιασιν*, unde nunquam egrediuntur) whence they *never* come out, or where they remain *for ever*." This Doctrine then, we see, was taught in Greece by Socrates, and handed down to Posterity by Plato. It was received in Italy, as we may learn from Virgil and Ovid; the former of which says,

"Non mihi si linguæ centum sint, oraque centum
"Ferrea vox—— ——
"Omnia pœnarum percurrere nomina possim.
Æneid. vi. 625.

Again, ——"Rostroque immanis vultur obunco
"*Immortale* jecur tundens, *fœcundaque* pœnis
"Viscera ——

And again, "Nec fibris requies datur ulla *renatis*."
"—— Sedet, *æternumque* sedebit,
"Infelix Theseus."

And the latter (Ovid) Book 4th, Line 467th, speaking of Sisyphus, says, *perpetuus patitur pœnas*. It is true, Plato tells us, in the same Chapter quoted above, of such a *Purgatory* as you believe in; but then there is a wide Difference between you, for you teach that all Mankind pass through it, but he, that those who are not incurably wicked, "and such "as are not absolutely criminal, nor innocent, are sent to Acheron, "where they suffer Punishments proportionable to their Crimes, till at "last, being purged and cleansed from their Sins, and set at Liberty, "they receive the Reward of their good Actions." That the ancient Jews believed that future Punishments will be *eternal*, we learn from Judith xvi. 17, *Κλαυσονται οι αιχμαλωτοι σου αιωνιον*, *they shall weep under the Sense of their Pains for ever*; and from Josephus *De Bell. Jud.* L. 2, C. 12, Antiq. L. 18, C. 2, and also from Philo, *De Præm. & Pœn.* Pag. 713, who says, that the Punishment of the Wicked is *ζην αποθνησκοντα*, *to live* FOR EVER *dying*. That this was the constant Opinion of the Christian Church our Divines prove by Quotations from Clemens Romanus, Barnabas, Justin Martyr, Theophilus, Irenæus, Tertullian, St. Cyprian, Minutius, and Origen himself, though he was the Author of your Opinion, as may be seen in *Aug. de Civit. Dei*, Lib. 21, Cap. 17; for he says, "Every Soul, when it goes out of "this World, shall either enjoy the Inheritance of eternal Life and Bliss, "if its Deeds have rendered it fit for Life (*sive igni æterno, ac supplicii "manicipandi est*) or is to be consigned over to *eternal* Fire and Punish"ment, if its Sins have deserved that State." If what has been said is not sufficient to prove that all Mankind have not agreed in an Opinion that future Punishments will be *finite*, I might add that the Philosophers and Poets themselves were not agreed in these Points, and some of them even doubted of the Immortality of the Soul. See Plato's Apology of Socrates, at the End of some Parts of his Phædo, Cicero's *Tuscul. Quæst. Nat. Deorum, de Finibus Bon. & Mal.* and the latter Part of his Dialogue *De Senectute*; and, if I am not mistaken, Seneca and Antoninus speak doubtfully of the Immortality of the Soul. The Epicureans, who believed that the Soul was formed by a fortuitous Concourse of Atoms, are positive that it is mortal. See Lucret. Lib. 3, V. 445, & *seq.* Now with what Truth can it be said that Mankind agree in your Opinion!

I think I have proved that one of your Arguments is not founded in Truth, and that your others are insufficient; namely that drawn from a supposed universal Consent, and those in which you take Reason for your sole Guide. I propose soon to attempt to prove, to your Satisfaction, that the *original Texts are translated according to their true and genuine Meaning*. At present, as I think I have exceeded the Limits that may be allowed in a Newspaper, I shall say but a few Words more, and conclude. You say I am for *commanding your Silence, and putting a Stop to your Inquiries after the great and glorious Things the gracious Author of our Nature* hath done for us. You are mistaken, Sir; far be it from me; *push* your Inquiries to the utmost; but let me advise you to confine them to the great *Things* God has done for us, and which are proper Subjects of our Inquiry, and not out of the Reach of it. Can the *Orthodox Christian* want Occasion of Praise! Can he not find enough to employ his whole Life in the Contemplation of our Creation, Preservation, and the great Work of Redemption? But, Sir, in Justification of what I said, let me remind you of what God told Esdras: "Be thou not curious how the Ungodly shall be punished, and when; but inquire how the Righteous shall be saved, whose the World is, and for whom the World is created." II Esdras, ix. 13.

I AM, SIR, YOUR VERY HUMBLE SERVANT,
AN ORTHODOX LAYMAN.

Advertisements.

WESTOVER, *August* 3, 1772.

COLONEL *BYRD* begs the Favour of all the Gentlemen who served in the *Virginia* Regiment last War to meet him at *Fredericksburg*, or to send in their Names, on the 15th of next Month, that they may consult what Methods are best to be taken to procure the Lands they claim under his Majesty's Proclamation.

NORFOLK, *August* 1, 1772.

AS I intend for *Britain* soon, I must beg the Favour of all Persons who have had any Dealings with *Logan, Gilmour*, and Company, to have their Accounts ready to settle at the next General Court. The Business will be continued to its usual Extent.
ROBERT GILMOUR.

VIRGINIA, *sc.*

At a GENERAL COURT *held at the* CAPITOL,
MAY 7, 1772.

John Bowdoin, and *Isaac Smith*, Merchants, surviving Partners of *Latitia Eyre*, deceased, Plaintiffs,
Against *John Smith*, *Edward Smith*, and *Matthew Smith*, Infants, *Augustine Smith*, *Martha Jaquelin*, *Jaquelin Ambler*, *Sarah Smith*, *Thomas Smith*, *Wilson Miles Cary*, *James Buchanan* and Company, of *London*, Merchants, *Edmund Pendleton*, and *Peter Lyons*, surviving Administrators, &c. of *John Robinson*, Esquire, deceased, *Peter Presley Thruston*, and *Sarah* his Wife, and *Mary Ambler*, *Jaquelin Ambler*, *Robert Carter Nicholas*, *Wilson Miles Cary*, and *John Blair*, Executors, &c. of *Edward Ambler*, deceased, Defendants. } In Chancery.

THE Defendant *John Smith* is appointed Guardian to the Defendants *Edward* and *Matthew Smith*, who are Infants, to defend them in this Suit; and, by Consent of Parties, this Cause was this Day heard upon the Bill, Answers, and sundry Exhibits. On Consideration whereof it is decreed, and ordered, that *George Purdie*, *John Bowdoin*, *John Lee*, and *John Smith*, Gentlemen, or any two or more of them, after giving convenient Notice in the *Virginia* Gazette, sell, at publick Auction, the Lands in the Counties of *Gloucester* and *Northumberland* known by the Names of *Dragon Quarter* and *Platt's Bay*, comprised in the Indentures of Mortgage in the Bill mentioned, at twelve Months Credit, to be entered upon the first Day of *January* next, and also the Slaves, with their Increase, and other Things in the said Mortgages mentioned, at three Months Credit, taking Bonds, with sufficient Security, from the Purchasers, and return an Account thereof to the Court; that *Dudley Diggs*, *Thomas Nelson*, Junior, and *David Jameson*, Gentlemen, or any two of them, do state and settle the Claims of the Plaintiffs and the Defendants, and of any other Creditors of *John Smith*, deceased, in the Bill named, who may desire it, and make Report thereof to the Court; and that the Sale of the Lands in the Counties of *Spotsylvania* and *Culpeper*, made by the said *John Smith* in his Lifetime, be confirmed to the several Purchasers thereof, upon their paying the Purchase Money; and that the several Mortgagees, the Defendant *John Smith*, and the Defendants *Edward* and *Matthew Smith*, when they shall arrive at the Age of twenty one Years, release to those Purchasers, and the Purchasers of the Lands and Slaves to be sold under this Decree, all their Right and Interest in the said Lands and Slaves, unless the said Infants shall show Cause to the contrary within six Months after they come of Age respectively. BEN: WALLER.

IN Obedience to the foregoing Decree, the Persons therein appointed will sell, at publick Auction, at *Gloucester* Court-house, on the first *Thursday* in *September* next, a Tract of Land known by the Name of the DRAGON QUARTER, mentioned in the said Decree, containing about eight Hundred Acres, on twelve Months Credit; the Purchasers to give Bond, with sufficient Security.

☞ All Persons having any Claims against the Estate of *John Smith*, deceased, are desired to lay them before the Gentlemen appointed by the Decree of the Honourable General Court, between this and the 10th of *October* next, as the Plaintiffs in the above Suit intend to move for a final Decree at that Time.

AUGUST 1, 1772. GEORGE PURDIE.
JOHN BOWDOIN.
JOHN SMITH.

LATELY arrived from *London*, with Captain *Jacob Peterson*, and are waiting for the Encouragement of the Nobility, Gentry, and others, at Mr. *Thomas Archer's*, in *York* Town, three Persons properly qualified to survey and plot out Lands, measure and convert Timber, to give Plans, Elevations, and Sections, of any Building, from the smallest Cot to the most superb and greatest Mansion, together with drawing out the Particulars of the Manner of finishing and estimating the Expense of doing the same; and will undertake to perform any Building at a Sum fixed, to measure and value any Sort of Work that is done in the Building Branch, such as Bricklayers, Masons, Carpenters, Joiners, Plasterers, Painters, Glaziers, &c. or to set out and direct any of the said Works that are going on, to be done in a Workmanlike Manner. And farther, the said Persons have, after a great Deal of Labour and Expense, together with the Hazard of crossing the Seas, brought over an Invention of a Machine Waggon, which, by the Assistance of only four Men and a Guide, will carry six Hogsheads of Tobacco, or any other Commodity of the same Weight, and those Men to ride in the said Machine when working, which will go at the Rate of three Miles, up Hill or down, and the Work easy. As they flattered themselves of meeting with Success in this Part of the World, as well as at home, and knowing the great Utility of such an Invention in this Country, they would wish to meet with Encouragement with the said Machine, or any of the Works as above. Any Orders directed to the Subscribers shall be immediately attended to, and put in Execution, under reasonable Terms, by
Their obedient humble Servants,
J. HOLLAND, and Company.

BY Decree of the Honourable the Court of Vice Admiralty, to be sold, on *Tuesday* the 11th Instant (*August*) for ready Money, at *Hampton*, the Sloop MOLLY, with her Rigging, Tackle, Apparel, and Furniture, and about twenty Tuns of Iron in Bars and Ploughshares; also the Sloop CATHERINE, five Hogsheads and two Barrels of Rum, one Hogshead of Molosses, and one of brown Sugar.
JOHN TYLER, Marshal.

FREDERICKSBURG, *August* 1, 1772.

THE Subscriber intends quitting Business in the Town of *Fredericksburg* in *September* next; and having a large Quantity of DRUGS upon Hand, will dispose of them to Gentlemen of the Faculty, or others, at a Hundred per Cent. Advance on the original Invoice, for ready Money only. He will himself give Attendance at his Shop on the main Street, in *Fredericksburg*, opposite to Mr. *Henry Mitchell's* Store, the Shop formerly kept by *Mercer* and *Clements*.
EWEN CLEMENT

AUGUST 1, 1772.

THIS is to inform MARIA and GUTLIEB DILDEY, of *Roppin*, in the Marquisate of *Brandenburg*, that their Uncle, GEORGE CHRISTOPHER WHITE, who died in *Amelia* County, *Virginia*, on the 19th Day of *June* last, has bequeathed to them his whole Estate, supposed to be worth *fifteen Hundred Pounds*, or upwards. He mentions them as Daughters of his Sister *Catherine*, by her first Husband, *Peter Dildey*. They may be informed farther, by inquiring at the Post Office, *Williamsburg*.

FOUR likely NEGROES, namely, three Fellows and a Wench, Part of the Estate of *Henry Collier*, taken to satisfy his publick Dues for the Year 1771, will be sold to the highest Bidders, for ready Money, on *Tuesday* the 25th Instant *(August)* at *Surry* Courthouse, being Court Day.

ETHELDRED GRAY, Sheriff.

FIFTY POUNDS REWARD.

WHEREAS Horse-stealing is become very frequent in this Neighbourhood, the Gentlemen of *Petersburg* and *Blandford* offer a Reward of TWENTY FIVE POUNDS to any Person who shall apprehend, and convict, a Freeman of having stole either Horse, Mare, or Gelding, from any of the Parties; and that the Fate of one Rascal may deter others from a Crime so pernicious to Society, they farther Promise a Reward of TWENTY FIVE POUNDS more on the Execution of the Thief.

To be SOLD,

A TRACT of LAND, containing about a Thousand Acres, in *Northumberland* County, *Virginia*. It is exceeding rich, beautifully situated between *Point Lookout* and *Smith's Point*, and commands a pleasant Prospect of *Chesapeak* Bay. There are some Gentlemen who pretend to claim a Right in the said Land; but as it was determined by *Northumberland* Court in Favour of the present Possessors, and their Decree was confirmed by the General Court, and left such a Report may be prejudicial to the Sale of the Land, I will give Bond and Security to make a good and indefeasible Right and Title. Any Gentleman inclinable to purchase may hear farther Particulars by applying to

GRANVILLE County, NORTH CAROLINA, *June* 10, 1772. JOHN GORDON.

To be SOLD,

A TRACT of LAND in the County of *Dinwiddie*, on the Branches of *Monk's* Creek, containing about six Hundred Acres. The Land is level, and the Soil, with a little Improvement, good for Grain or Tobacco. It joins the main Road, lies about seven or eight Miles from *Petersburg*, and is exceeding well timbered. Also a Tract near the above, containing about two Hundred and fifty Acres, well timbered, very level, and good Corn Land. The Subscriber intends to be at *Dinwiddie* Court in *September* next, in Order to treat with any Person or Persons for the same, or will sell it the next Day, to the highest Bidder, on the Premises, when the Terms of Payment will be made known.

WILLIAMSBURG, *August* 10, 1772. JOHN FERGUSSON.

To be SOLD, *on* Monday *the 10th Instant* (August) *at the late Dwellinghouse of Mr.* James Coupland, *deceased, in* Chesterfield,

ALL the Estate of the said *Coupland*, consisting of six likely Negroes, two of whom are valuable House Women, and the rest very likely Boys, some *European* and *West India* Goods, House and Kitchen Furniture, Horses, Hogs, and many other Things too tedious to mention. Credit will be allowed until the 1st of *February* 1773, on giving Bond and approved Security to

DAVID COUPLAND, Administrator.

*** All Persons who have any Demands against the said Estate are desired to make them known immediately, and those that are indebted to make speedy Payment, as the Circumstances of the Estate will not admit of any Indulgence.

To be SOLD *at publick Auction, on* Monday *the 24th Instant* (August) *at the Subscriber's Store, near the Wharf, in* York *Town*,

ABOUT two Hundred Pounds Sterling Worth of DRY GOODS, consisting of *German* Osnabrugs, coarse *Irish* Linens, Checks, striped Hollands, *Kendal* Cottons, Plaid Hose, *&c. &c.* payable the 24th of *October* next, on giving Bond, with approved Security, to

DAVID THOMPSON.

To be SOLD, *pursuant to the Will of Mr.* ROGER DIXON, *deceased, for the Benefit of his Creditors, at the ensuing* September *Fair in* Fredericksburg, *and to be entered upon at* Christmas, *the following* LANDS, *namely:*

NEAR three Hundred Acres adjoining the Town, several unimproved Lots, the Ferry opposite to Mrs. *Washington's*, and a Lot, with Houses, *&c.* in the Occupation of Mr. *Crawford*, in the Town of *Fredericksburg*, about three Hundred Acres in a Tract called *Chalky Level*, three Miles from the said Town, a valuable Tract in *Culpeper*, upon the *Hedgman* River, containing fifteen Hundred Acres, the well accustomed Tavern in *Fairfax* Town, at *Culpeper* Courthouse, with sundry Lots in, and a convenient Tract adjoining, the said Town; also a Plantation in *Culpeper*, late the Property of Mr. *Gabriel Jones*, containing two Hundred Acres, with a good Dwellinghouse and convenient Outhouses thereon, about three Thousand Acres on *Pretty's* Creek, in the County of *Albemarle*, with Improvements, and a Tract of four Hundred Acres in *Orange* County, near *Cave's* Ford. Credit will be allowed until the 25th of *April* next, upon giving Bond, with sufficient Security to the Administrator. The Creditors may depend upon every legal Measure being adopted for their Satisfaction, and to save the Slaves for the Benefit of the Daughters of the Deceased, who otherwise must fall short of their Portions; and the Debtors, who, by an unlimited Indulgence, have involved the Estate so as to make these Measures necessary, it is hoped will commiserate the Situation of his Children, and not fail to come immediately and settle their Accounts, give Bond, and make speedy Payment, either to Mr. *Oliver Towles*, Mr. *Philip Clayton*, Junior, who acts under him, or to *John Dixon*, Administrator, with the Will annexed.

N. B. Mr. *Clayton* will show the Lands at or near *Fredericksburg*, and Mr. *James Barbour*, Junior, those above.

WANTS EMPLOYMENT,

A YOUNG Man bred a GARDENER. Any Gentleman in Want of such a Person may be acquainted with his Terms by applying to Mr. *John Glassell*, Merchant in *Fredericksburg*. 2

STOLEN, or STRAYED, on *Saturday* the 25th of *July*, a bright bay HORSE, above fourteen Hands high, slim made, with a short Switch Tail and hanging Mane, a Blaze in his Face, two white Feet, some Saddle Spots, but no perceivable Brand. Whoever brings him to me, in *Williamsburg*, shall have TWENTY SHILLINGS Reward. SEVERINUS DURFEY.

TAPPAHANNOCK, *Essex* County, *August* 1, 1772.

RUN away from the Subscriber's Plantation, about a Mile distant from the said Town, last *May*, a likely, well made, light coloured Mulatto Wench named PHEBE, about five Feet four Inches high, and about twenty two Years old; as she had formerly been a House Servant, she had a Variety of Clothes. A Propensity for Pleasure in the Night brought a little Punishment from the Overseer, which I suppose made her run off. Some Years ago I had her of a certain *Ambrose Jones*, then of this County, but now in *Brunswick*, where perhaps she may have strolled to. Whoever conveys her to me, or secures her in any of his Majesty's Jails, shall have FORTY SHILLINGS Reward, besides what the Law allows. ARCHIBALD RITCHIE.

THE Creditors of *John Semple* are desired to meet at *Dumfries*, on *Monday* the 17th of *August*.

TAKEN up, in *Amherst*, a light gray HORSE about four Feet eight Inches high, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, and branded, as far as can be represented, O. Posted, and appraised to ten Pounds.

RICHARD BALLENGER.

NEWCASTLE, *July* 26, 1772.

AS I intend for *Great Britain* this Fall, and to return in the Spring, my Store at this Place will be continued to its usual Extent by Mr. *James Overton*, who will be properly authorised to transact all Business for me during my Absence.

JOSEPH THROPP.

THE fine new Ship *Nassau*, *James Wignall* Commander, now lying at *Hobb's Hole*, in *Rappahannock* River, will take in a Hundred Hogsheads of Tobacco, on Liberty of Consignment, at eight Pounds Sterling a Ton. Those who incline to ship will please to send their Orders, or Notes, to Mr. *James Duncanson* in *Fredericksburg*, or the Captain on Board. 2

NORFOLK, *July* 29, 1772.

THE Subscriber having provided convenient Warehouses for the Reception of Goods, purposes selling on Commission, either by private Sale or publick Vendue, and begs Leave to assure the Publick that his best Endeavours shall be used to dispose of any Goods given him for Sale to the most Advantage, and that they may expect the greatest Punctuality in the Payment of the Proceeds, being determined to continue the Business no longer than he finds he can do so; and, in Order to enable him to do this, he hopes every Person purchasing at any of his Sales will be punctual in their Payments, without which he must labour under Difficulties in supporting his own Credit. He has also opened an ENSURANCE OFFICE; any Orders from the Country for Ensurance will be as punctually complied with as if the Persons were present, the greatest Care taken to have good People to the Policies, and that they shall be sent by the first safe Conveyance. Gentlemen who do not regularly attend the General Courts, and Courts of *Oyer*, are requested to forward the Premiums with their Orders, as it is customary here to pay them at signing the Policies; those who attend the Courts may pay the Premiums there. JAMES ARCHDEACON.

NORFOLK, *July* 29, 1772.

RUN away, about a Month ago, a Negro Wench named BETTY, well known in this Town and Neighbourhood, is remarkably sensible, and very talkative. I have Reason to believe she is harboured near this Place, or in *Princess Anne*. Whoever brings her to me, or secures her in any Jail, on producing a Certificate of their having done so, shall have TWENTY SHILLINGS Reward, besides what the Law allows. Any Person informing me who harbours the said Runaway shall, on Conviction of the Offender, be rewarded with FORTY SHILLINGS. JAMES ARCHDEACON.

*** Who has for Sale a few Hogsheads of very fine *Jamaica* SPIRITS.

NORFOLK, *July* 27, 1772.

THE Subscriber begs Leave to inform the Ladies for whom he has had the Honour to work that he has just imported a fresh Assortment of Goods from *London*, by Captain *Robert Nicks*, fit to carry on his Business of STAYMAKING, at Mr. *John Richardson's*, Tailor in *Church* Street, where he hopes for a Continuance of Favours from his former Customers. All Orders from the Country will be punctually executed by their much obliged humble Servant,

ROBERT STEELE.

THE Subscriber intends to leave the Colony next Month. All Persons indebted to Mess. *Robert* and *Robert Bogle* and *Scott*, of *London*, Merchants (for whom I have done Business some Time) are desired to pay off their Balances to Mess. *Robert Gilchrist* of *Port Royal*, or *James Robb* of *Fredericksburg*, Merchants, who are properly empowered by these Gentlemen to give Acquittances, and are instructed to prosecute immediately such who do not pay before or at the next *October* General Court, where Attendance will be given by them.

WILLIAM BOGLE.

BUCKINGHAM, *July* 17, 1772.

WHEREAS the Subscriber, in the Month of *May* last, gave two Bonds to *William Walton* for the Payment of thirty nine Pounds each, one payable in *October*, the other in *April* next, and as he was imposed on in the Purchase of a Negro for which these Bonds were given, thinks proper to acquaint any Person to whom the same may be offered that he will not discharge them until he is compelled thereto.

THOMAS HARVEY.

THE Subscriber intends for *Great Britain* in *September* next. He has appointed Mess. *Edward Carter*, *Thomas Prosser*, *John Archer*, and *Alexander Trent*, his Attornies. The different Stores that he is concerned in will be continued under the Management of those Persons, who now keep them.

PETER FIELD TRENT,

N. B. Mr. *Archer* is to settle and collect all Debts due on my private Account, as the Books will be left with him.

THE Ticket No. 6649, in the Honourable *William Byrd's* Lottery, drew a Half Acre No. 358. Whoever owns the said Ticket may dispose of the Lot, or hear of a Purchaser, by applying to the Printer hereof. Tf

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HANOVER, *July* 15, 1772.

THE Subscriber takes this Method to inform the Publick that they may be supplied, for the future, with any Quantity of PLANK or SCANTLING, of Oak, Gum, Poplar, Pine, or black Walnut, with the utmost Expedition, and on reasonable Terms, deliverable at *Cumberland*, to the Care of Mr. *Richard Allen*, Merchant there, who also will receive and forward any Order to the Subscriber; who has now on Hand, for Sale, several Thousand Feet of choice seasoned white Oak Plank of one Inch, one Inch and a Half, one Inch and three Quarters, and two Inches, and various Lengths; also a considerable Quantity of Scantling, well assorted, and a Parcel of seasoned black Walnut of four Inches. 6 JOSEPH SMITH.

YORK Town, *July* 20, 1772.

LATELY imported, and to be sold on very reasonable Terms, a large and complete Assortment of MEDICINES, either by Wholesale or Retail, with various CHYMICAL and SHOP UTENSILS. J. HAYNES.

BUCKINGHAM, *July* 10, 1772.

ALL Persons indebted to the Estate of Major *Benjamin Howard*, deceased, are desired to make immediate Payment, and those who have Accounts against the said Estate are requested to make them known to

SARAH HOWARD, Administratrix.

JUST arrived from *Africa*, the Snow *Thomas*, *Thomas Lewis*, with two Hundred fine healthy SLAVES; the Sale of which will begin at *Osborne's*, on *James* River, on *Thursday* the 13th of *August*, and continue until all are sold.

BURNLEY & BRAIKENRIDGE.

N. B. We propose to give Credit where good Security is given.

AS I have removed, for some Years, into *Lunenburg*, I propose selling all my Tract of LAND on *Turkey Cock* Creek, in *Pittsylvania*, excepting two Thousand Acres including the Manor Plantation. The Tract consists of about six Thousand Acres, exclusive of the said two Thousand. It is well watered, has a large Creek running quite through the Middle, which makes a large Quantity of good low Grounds, some of which lies so high as never to be overflowed, and the high Land is very good for Tobacco, Corn, Wheat, *&c.* It is situated convenient to a fine lasting Range for Stocks. There is on the Part intended for Sale two small Plantations and a well accustomed Grist Mill. I intend to lay off the Land into smaller Parcels, so as to suit the Purchasers, and will attend on the Premises the whole Month of *November* next, when all Persons inclining to purchase are desired to meet me. The Lands will be shown to any Person before that Time on applying to Captain *Arthur Hopkins*, who lives near it. I would give a considerable Time of Payment for Part of the Purchase Money. (8) G. JEFFERSON.

*** I have also several small Surveys and Entries in the said County for Sale.

GLOUCESTER, *July* 25, 1772.

WE intend to *ENGLAND* next Month.

JOHN BAKER & RICHARD PRINGLE.

MR. PURDIE, HALIFAX, *July* 20, 1772.

In your Gazette of the 2d Instant I observe Doctor Gordon *of Norfolk has forewarned any Person from harbouring or entertaining me. I therefore request you may be pleased to insert the following brief and true Relation of the Difference between him and me.*

AFTER having received several unmerited infamous Abuses from Mr. *Gordon*, during the Time of my residing with him, he at length carried his unprovoked ill Treatment and scurrilous Language to such a Pitch that on the 25th of *February* last I then expressly declared I would upon no Account live another Year with him; upon which he ordered me out of his Shop. I took him instantly at his Word, and remained in *Norfolk*, doing Nothing, until the 1st of *April* ensuing. I then told him I was going to leave *Norfolk*; he replied, it was very well, he had Nothing to say to me, but wished me well wherever I went; and accordingly I left *Norfolk* that Day. About the Middle of *June* last I was in *Norfolk* again, where I heard Doctor *Gordon* still insisted upon my being his Apprentice, upon which I paid him a Visit, and asked him what he meant by such Conduct; he replied, as before, that he had Nothing to say to me. I then desired he might trouble himself no more about me for the future, observing that I should immediately leave *Norfolk*; he replied, as usual, it was very well, he had Nothing to say to me. From the above brief State of the Case it is manifest I left him with his own Consent, and indeed Desire; consequently his publishing the aforesaid Advertisement in your Gazette is as ridiculous as it is unjust, base, and malicious, and seems to be exactly of a Piece with the rest of his ungenerous Behaviour towards me.

WILLIAM PASTEUR.

I INTEND to leave the COLONY soon.

NEILL BUCHANAN, Senior.

HAMPTON, *July* 23, 1772.

THE Subscriber begs Leave to inform the Publick in general that he has moved opposite the *King's Arms* Tavern, where he intends to furnish Gentlemen Travellers, and others, with private Board, Washing, and Lodging; also that any Gentleman may at any Time have a Relish for one Shilling, and a Bowl of good Punch given him to drink with it. He flatters himself he will meet with good Encouragement, as a private House will prove less expensive than a Tavern, and is determined to be very moderate in charging, either by the Week or Day. Those who will favour me with their Company may depend I will use the utmost of my Endeavours to give them Satisfaction. Horses will be properly taken Care of, and well fed, on paying Sixpence a Gallon for Corn or Oats.

WILLIAM DAVIS.

WILLIAM WILLESS, GUNSMITH and BRASS FOUNDER, from *Birmingham*, at the Sign of the *Cross Guns* in *Church* Street, *Norfolk*, carries on these Trades in all their Branches. Such as will please to favour him with their Custom may depend on having their Work done in the neatest Manner, and with the utmost Despatch. He returns his sincere Thanks to his Customers, and hopes for a Continuance of their Favours, as well as for the Countenance of the Publick in general, which it shall be his invariable Study to merit.

*** A Number of Guns having been left in his Shop upwards of twelve Months, he hereby acquaints their Owners that if they do not release them within three Months from this Date they will be sold to pay the Charges.

Just IMPORTED *in the* LORD BALTIMORE, *Captain* MITCHELL, *from* London, *and to be* SOLD *reasonably by the Subscriber, in* Petersburg,

A VERY large Assortment of DRUGS and MEDICINES; also Crucibles; Marble Mortars; genteel Sets of Tooth and Pocket Instruments; Tourniquets; Logwood; Redwood; Madder; Fullick; Vermilion; *Prussian* Blue; Gold Leaf; Verdigrise; Gallis; white and red Lead; Rotten Stone; Almonds; Barley Sugar; Sugar Candy; Spanish Licorice; Borax; Isinglass; Bolus Knives; Hungary and Lavender Waters; Cinnamon; Cloves; Nutmegs; Ladies Sticking Plaister, Eau de Luce; Doctor *Hill's* Essence of Waterdock; Pectoral Balsam of Honey; *Walker's* Jesuits Drops; *Bateman's* Drops; *Anderson's*, *Lockyer's*, and *Chase's* Pills; *Daffy's*, *Squire's*, *Radcliff's*, and *Frewen's* Elixirs; *Freeman's* and *Godfrey's* Cordials; *Fryar's* and *Turlington's* Balsams; Fit Drops for Convulsions in Children; *Greenough's* Tincture for the Scurvy; Tooth Powder; Flesh, and Tooth Brushes; Glass Funnels; Breast Pipes; Nipple Glasses; Sago; Salop; Vials; Gallipots; Pill Boxes, *&c. &c.*

JOHN THOMSON.

To be SOLD,

Some Time in the Month of September *next*,

SEVERAL Tracts of LAND belonging to the Estate of *Roger Dixon*, deceased, lying in the Counties of *Culpeper*, *Spotsylvania*, *Albemarle*, and *Orange*; also, in the Month of *December*, upwards of three Thousand Acres in the lower End of *Louisa* and upper End of *Hanover*, and another Tract near *Louisa* Courthouse, containing six Hundred Acres. Particulars relating to the Quantity, Time, and Place of Sale of the former, and of the Time and Terms of the latter, will be published hereafter.

JOHN DIXON.

To be SOLD,

MY Houses and Lots in the Town of *York*, which formerly belonged to the Honourable *Robert Burwell*, together with a large and well furnished medicinal Shop. The Houses are in very good Repair, with all convenient Outhouses, and in every Respect well fitted for a Family.

CORBIN GRIFFIN.

To be SOLD,

A THOUSAND Acres of LAND, by Computation, on *Bush* River, in *Prince Edward*, consisting of a Body of rich low Ground, free from Inundations, skirted on both Sides by fine timbered red Land of the Soil of the Mountains, and disposed in two Plantations completely prepared for Cropping; at the lowest of them is a Mineral Spring, hitherto of tried Efficacy in cutaneous and other Diseases.

RYLAND RANDOLPH.

To be SOLD,

FOURTEEN Hundred Acres of exceeding good TOBACCO LAND in *Stafford* County, on the Branches of *Aquia* and *Potowmack* Runs, extremely well timbered and watered, twelve Miles from *Falmouth*, and ten from *Aquia*. One Half the Land rents for thirty Pounds a Year; there is a small Plantation on the other Part the Land, and a Mill near the Plantation, if not privately sold, will be set up at twelve Hundred Pounds, on the 10th of *October* next. Also eleven Hundred Acres of Land on *Rocky* Run, in *Fauquier* County, the Rents of which amount to four Thousand one Hundred and thirty Pounds of Tobacco; either in Lots, or altogether, as may suit the Purchasers. An indisputable Title will be made to the Land, by the Trustees of *Charles Carter*. Tf

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To be SOLD,

A TRACT of LAND on the Forks of *Stanton* River, near *Bluestone* Creek, in the County of *Mecklenburg*, containing about six Hundred and fifty Acres, on which is a good Dwellinghouse twenty eight by twenty four Feet, with two Brick Chimnies; also a new Storehouse thirty six Feet by eighteen, with a large Brick Cellar underneath, and a Counting Room adjoining; likewise a Kitchen, Smokehouse, *&c.* There is also a *Smith's* Shop, with a Dwellinghouse and other necessary Buildings, within a Quarter of a Mile of the Store. As the Houses lie within three Miles of the Courthouse, and about eighty Miles from *Petersburg*, it would answer any Person very well that intends opening a back Store, being situated in an exceeding fine Neighbourhood for making Tobacco. Any Person inclining to purchase may know the Terms by applying to Mr. *Miller Woodson*, in *Prince Edward*, or to me, in *Warwick*.

PATRICK HUNTER.

For SALE,

SEVENTY Tierces of best *Irish* MESS and CARGO BEEF, just imported from *Antigua*, in the Schooner *Hansford*, *Christopher Wilson* Master.

GILCHRIST & TAYLOR.

NORFOLK, *July* 27, 1772.

POETS CORNER.

An Occasional PROLOGUE *spoken at the Theatre Royal, Covent Garden, before the Play of* OTHELLO, *for the Benefit of the* WESTMINSTER NEW LYING IN HOSHITAL.

WHEN Jove from Chaos call'd this wonderous Ball,
Link'd each to each, connecting all with all,
'Twas his Decree, ineffable Behest!
Those crown'd with Affluence should relieve the rest,
Wipe off the Tear, hush Misery's plaintive Moan,
And make the Griefs of others all their own;
For this are Britons fam'd the World around,
Nor less for Arms than Charity renown'd.
Joy to the Soul, and Pleasure to the Eye,
Flow from the Sanction of the nuptial Tie.
If Fortune frowns, and Hearts in Union glow,
Then Wedlock forms a little Heaven below;
Yet though the sacred Torch of Hymen burn,
Though Breast to Breast connubial Warmth return,
Though for the future Industry take Care,
Malignant Fate may mark the happy Pair,
And Poverty her gloomy Curtain spread,
With meagre Hand, around the genial Bed:
What Ills would then their Progeny pursue,
Were God-like Pity not enthron'd in YOU?
Is there a Virtue which adorns the Mind,
Bright as Benevolence to human Kind?
Is there a Vice which taints th' ignoble Part,
Sable as that of being hard of Heart?
Too oft Seduction cries her baneful Snare,
Too oft the Libertine betrays the Fair;
By Vows and Wiles her easy Heart is won,
Nor sees the Danger till, alas! undone:
Expell'd her Friends, devoted to Distress,
Save Heaven and YOU alone she seeks Redress.
Virtue like yours forgives the FIRST Offence,
And Mercy opes the Gate to Penitence:
Thus, as the Sun, ephiliarates the Bower,
Like him, it does cherish many a drooping Flower.
To shield the Babe, and lull the Matron's Sighs,
Your Bounty bids a Sanctuary rise:
From thence, as Time exerts his rapid Wing,
May future Heroes for their Country spring;
As Genius prompts, to plough the raging Main,
Or form the Phalanx on th' embattled Plain,
Fir'd with a Briton's native Pride, to be
Born in this Land of glorious LIBERTY.

GENERAL POST OFFICE, *New York*, *November* 1, 1772.

NOTICE is hereby given, that on Account of the new Regulation of the Post from *Canada*, which is to arrive every *Tuesday* Evening at this Office, and the weekly Post from the Eastward and Southward arriving every *Wednesday*, the Mail going from hence by the Packets will, for the future, be closed at twelve o'Clock at Night, on the first *Wednesday* in every Month (being the same Time it closes at the General Post Office in *London* for *America*) and a Packet despatched therewith the next Day for *Falmouth*.

By Command of the Deputy Postmaster General.
(TF) ALEXANDER COLDEN, Secretary.

For SALE,

EIGHT Hundred and sixty Acres of LAND on *Blackwater* Swamp, in *Surry* County, about nine Miles from *Cabin Point*, whereon is a Dwelling-house thirty two Feet by sixteen, with two Rooms below and two above, a Kitchen twenty four Feet by sixteen, and all other necessary Outhouses, a good Garden, very good Apple and Peach Orchards, and a Variety of other Fruits. The Land is exceeding good for Grain, and, with a little Improvement, produces fine Tobacco; it is in good Order, and sufficient to work six Hands; the Whole lies very level, and well to the Plough; it is well watered, and timbered with Pine, Hickory, Poplar, white and red Oak, and black Walnut; it is convenient to Church and Mill, and has a very good and extensive Range for Stock. Any Person inclinable to purchase may see the Land, and know the Terms, by applying to me, on the Premises.

WILLIAM ANDERSON.

To be SOLD *on the Premises, on* Friday *the* 4*th of* December *next*,

TWO Hundred and sixty three Acres of LAND in *Amherst* County, adjoining to the *Tobacco Row* Mountains, whereon is a Plantation, with convenient Houses on the same, in good Order for Cropping, sufficient for working seven or eight Hands; the Land is exceeding rich for Tobacco, Corn, Wheat, or Hemp. At the same Time will be sold a valuable Gang of SLAVES, mostly Men and Women, amongst which is a Sawyer, and one that has worked several Years in a Blacksmith's Shop; as also all the Stock of Horses, Cattle, and Hogs, belonging to the Plantation, with all the Crop of Corn and Fodder made thereon, and all the Plantation Utensils. Twelve Months Credit will be allowed for the Purchase of the Land, or longer, if found necessary at the Day of Sale, and also Months Credit for the Slaves, Stock, Corn, and Utensils, upon good Merchants Bonds, or Notes, bearing Interest from the Day of Sale, payable unto *John Barret*, Esquire (to whom the Estate belongs) the Sale of which will be conducted by.

AMHERST, *July* 16, 1772. (17) GABRIEL PENN.

RUN away from the Subscriber, near *Rappahannock* Bridge, in *Richmond* County, a Convict Servant Man named JOHN BAGNALL, imported last *November* in the *Alexandria*, and was bought at *Leeds* Town, on *Rappahannock* River. He is about thirty Years of Age, five Feet nine or ten Inches high, of a fair Complexion, and sandy coloured, wears his own short brown Hair untied, and had on a Claret coloured double breasted Cloth Coat, with a Velvet Cape and Silver plated Buttons, much worn, a Jacket of the same Colour, Leather Breeches, black Stockings, a white Linen Shirt, an old Castor Hat, and a Pair of Country made Shoes, with Buckles. He may have changed his Name, as he carried with him a white double breasted Jacket, Linen Shirt and Trousers, two Pair of fine Thread Stockings, and several other Things unknown to me. He can read and write tolerably, and it is probable he may have forged himself a Pass. He was born in *London*, and served his Apprenticeship to a Tin Plate Worker. He was carried off as a Convict Servant Man named WILLIAM HARRIS, belonging to Captain *Joseph Pierce*, of *Westmoreland*, by Trade a Bricklayer, and if they did not get off by Water it is supposed they are in the back Woods, at *Carolina*. Whoever will bring the said *John Bagnall* to me in *Leeds* shall have TEN POUNDS if taken in *Virginia*, and THIRTEEN POUNDS if out thereof, besides what the Law allows, and the Expense of his Irons. All Masters of Vessels are forewarned from harbouring or carrying him out of the Colony, at their Peril.

ROGER BECKWITH.

RUN away from the Subscriber, in *Northumberland*, a Negro Fellow named DANIEL, belonging to the Estate of Mr. *James Tapscott*, deceased; he is of a yellow Complexion, something under the middle Size, about twenty one Years old, has been mostly employed as a Waterman, was hired this present Year to Mr. *Robert Glover* here, and went in a Vessel of his when he made his Elopement. Also a Negro Fellow named CHARLES, belonging to Mr. *William Powell* of *Lancaster*. The Hue and Cry is now out against the said Fellows for breaking open *Carpoins* Warehouse. I will give TWENTY SHILLINGS Reward to any Person that will bring the aforesaid *Daniel* to me, over and above what the Law allows.

ENOCH GEORGE.

COMMITTED to the Jail of *Chesterfield*, two Negro Men, one of whom says he belongs to *William Brown* of *Surry*; he is a small Fellow, of a yellow Complexion, wears a Cotton Waistcoat and Breeches, an Osnabrug Shirt, and says his Name is WILL. The other cannot speak *English*, is a slim black Fellow, has on a *Virginia* Cloth Waistcoat, double wove, mixed with Blue and White, a Cotton Waistcoat and Breeches, and a Worsted Cap. Their Owners are desired to prove their Property, pay Charges, and take them away.

JAMES BALL, Jailer.

COMMITTED to *Norfolk* County Jail, a Mulatto Man who says he is a *Frenchman*, and was bought of Mr. *Buchanan*, Merchant at *Milner's*, by Mr. *James Milner* of *Halifax*, in *North Carolina*. The Owner of the said Servant, or Slave, is desired to apply for him to SAMUEL PORTLOCK, Jailer.

RUN away from the Subscriber, in *Charles City*, about the 1st of *March* last, a young Mulatto Fellow named JESSE, about nineteen Years old, has a Defect in one or more of his fore Teeth, and generally has his Hair tied behind, which is pretty long; his Dress was such as labouring Negroes generally wear, and he is about five Feet seven or eight Inches high. Whoever will deliver him to me, or secure him in Jail, and give me Notice thereof, shall have THREE POUNDS Reward. CHARLES CHRISTIAN.

RUN away from my Plantation, in *Louisa*, a Negro Man named BOB, about five Feet ten Inches high, slim made and of a yellowish Complexion. He is a sensible artful Fellow, and may probably endeavour to pass for a Freeman. I will give FIVE POUNDS Reward if he is taken out of the Colony, FORTY SHILLINGS if in *Virginia*, and pay reasonable Expences, besides what the Law allows, on Delivery of the Fellow to *John Bullock*, my Overseer in *Louisa*, or to me in *Hanover*. JOHN SNELSON.

STOLEN from my Plantation, on *Bull* Run, on the 20th Instant (*July*) a dark bay Stallion, known by the Name of JOHN DISMAL, fifteen Hands high, very handsome, and has some white Hairs in the Footlock of one of his hind Feet. Whoever delivers the said Horse to me in *Gloucester*, or to Mr. *Thomas Throckmorton* in *Prince William*, shall be paid TEN POUNDS; and, on bringing the Offender to Justice, TEN POUNDS more. I have great Reason to believe he was carried to *North Carolina*, as he was heard of several Miles below the Plantation. The above Reward shall be paid on Demand.

LEWIS BURWELL.

HAMPTON, *July* 26, 1772.

STRAYED, or STOLEN, from the Subscriber, on the 22d Instant, a likely bright bay HORSE about four Feet ten Inches high, seven Years old, both Feet on the left Side are white, with some white Hairs in his Forehead, a white Spot on each Side his Withers, supposed to be occasioned by a Harness, trots, paces, and gallops, but no Brand remembered. He was bred in *Pennsylvania*, and was seen on the 24th, at the Halfway House on the *York* Road, supposed to be making towards *Williamsburg*. Whoever sends him to me, at *Hampton*, shall have TWENTY SHILLINGS Reward.

2 SAMUEL ALLYNE.

STRAYED from the Subscriber, in *Petersburg*, on *Monday* the 21st Instant (*July*) a bright bay MARE delicately made, about fourteen Hands high, three Years old, with white hind Feet, a small Star in her Forehead, large Ears, a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, undocked, and is newly broke to pace. TWENTY SHILLINGS Reward will be paid on Delivery of the Mare to me, and all reasonable Charges allowed. DAVID BLACK.

PETERSBURG, *June* 24, 1772.

STOLEN from the Subscriber, in the Night of the 14th Instant, a very likely bright bay HORSE about four Feet nine Inches high, seven Years old this Spring, has a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, paces and gallops remarkably well, but his Brand, if any, is not remembered. Whoever brings the said Horse to me shall have FORTY SHILLINGS Reward, and TEN POUNDS on Conviction of the Thief. THOMAS GORDON.

CABIN POINT, *July* 2, 1772.

STRAYED, or STOLEN, from *Cabin Point* Warehouse, on the 17th of *May* last, a large black MARE about twelve Years old, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, trots, but remarkably dull, and has the Pole Evil. It is imagined she has made for *Roanoke*, on *Banister* River. Whoever brings the said Mare to me shall have THIRTY SHILLINGS, and FIVE POUNDS on Conviction of the Thief.

JOHN SLADE.

TAKEN up, in *Chesterfield*, a bay MARE about four Feet ten or eleven Inches high, paces last, is docked, and branded on the near Buttock 8.

EDWARD WORSHAM.

TAKEN up, in *Louisa*, a red STEER Yearling with some White under his Belly, marked with an Underkeel and Overkeel, and a Slit in each Ear. Posted, and appraised to twenty five Shillings.

THOMAS THOMSON.

TAKEN up, on *Blackwater*, near *Hines's* Bridge, a small bay MARE about four Feet four Inches high, four Years old, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, and a Star in her Forehead, but no Brand perceivable. Posted, and appraised to four Pounds fifteen Shillings.

BENJAMIN RIVES CALEB.

IN the Subscriber's Store, at *Portsmouth*, a CASK of PEWTER marked N T, which the Owner may have on paying Charges and proving his Property. Also four Barrels of GUNPOWDER, imported in the Ship *Nelly*, Captain *Galbraith*, which were sent up *James* River, but no Person would receive them; to be delivered, on paying Charges, by JOHN GOODRICH.

CITY VENDUE OFFICE,

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 16, 1772.

THE Subscriber begs Leave to acquaint the Publick that he has opened the said Office, where he intends to sell, at publick Auction, all Kinds of Merchandise, Household and Kitchen Furniture, Negroes, Horses, Wearing Apparel, &c. and pledges himself to be strictly attentive to every Particular that can possibly contribute to the Sale of any Goods, or whatever the Publick shall please to commit to his Care, where constant Attendance will be given, and profound Secrecy observed. Due Regard paid to all Limitations, with the utmost Care and Despatch, will be the constant Study of the Publick's most obedient and most humble Servant, WILLIAM PAGE.

N. B. Will be sold, at the said Office, on *Monday* the 20th Instant, a Quantity of EUROPEAN GOODS, HOUSEHOLD and KITCHEN FURNITURE, &c. The Sales to be continued every *Monday*, and at other Times, as Business may require.

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 23, 1772.

THE Ship *Neptune*, *Jonathan Punderson* Commander, now lying off Colonel *Corbin's*, in *Mattapony* River, and bound for *London*, having the best Part of her Cargo engaged, will certainly sail by the 15th of next Month; and in the mean Time will take in, on Liberty, about a Hundred Hogsheads, to complete her Loading. She has likewise good Accommodations for Passengers. Those inclinable to ship Tobacco, or go in the said Ship, may speak with the Captain while the Merchants are in Town, afterwards on Board the Ship.

WHEREAS, on or about the 11th of last *February*, I purchased four Negroes of Mr. *John Wormeley*, for which I paid sixty two Pounds six Shillings immediately, and gave my Bond, with *Isaac Pead* Security, for the farther Sum of ninety two Pounds fourteen Shillings, payable to the said *John Wormeley* on or before the 1st of *October* next, I hereby forewarn any Person from taking an Assignment of the said Bond, as I am determined not to pay it till the said *John Wormeley* makes me a good Right to all the aforesaid Negroes, and fully complies with the Bargain in his Behalf made, which hitherto he has failed to do RICHARD NUTT.

ALL Persons indebted to the Estate of *John Baylor*, Esquire, deceased, are hereby requested to make Payment to Mr. *Edmund Pendleton*, Junior, and those who have any Demands against it are desired to make them known to him, being empowered to transact the Business of that Estate by

JOHN ARMISTEAD,
NATHANIEL BURWELL, } Executors.

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 20, 1772.

IT is requested that all Persons who have any Claim against the Estate of Mr. *John Lane*, deceased, will immediately make them known to Mr. *John Prentis*, that they may be adjusted, as well such Debts as his Estate may be liable for during his Continuance in the Office of Serjeant of this City as on his own private Account. As I shall not think myself answerable for any Claims made after *April* next, I hope those concerned will not fail to render their Accounts.

JAMES HOLDCROFT, Executor.

PURSUANT to a Decree of the Honourable the General Court, we shall, on the 25th of *August*, on the Premises, sell, at publick Auction, the LANDS of *Francis Willis*, Esquire, in *Gloucester* County, to wit: Eight Hundred Acres, more or less, called *Duval's* and *Cowper's*, and five Hundred Acres, or thereabouts, called *Cocke's*, with sundry Slaves, Stocks, and Household Furniture. And on the 28th of the same Month, about twelve Hundred of Land at *Skimino*, on *York* River, in *York* County, with some Slaves and Stock, will be sold; the Lands at eighteen Months Credit, and twelve Months for the Slaves and personal Estate, the Purchasers giving Bond, with sufficient Security. Possession of the said Lands and Slaves to be delivered up at *Christmas* next. We shall also attend at *Gloucester* Courthouse on the 6th of that Month, it being Court Day, to receive and state the Demands of Mr. *Willis's* Creditors, who are desired to produce and prove them before us.

JOHN PAGE,
THOMAS NELSON, Junior, } Commissioners.
DAVID KER,

To be SOLD,

SIX Hundred Acres of exceeding rich level LAND on *Nottoway* River, between *Bolling's* and *Sword's* Bridges, in *Sussex* County, one Hundred of which is fine low Grounds, produces good Wheat and Corn, and is capable of being made as good a Pasture as can be wished, without the Advantage of Salt Water as well as fresh. The other Part is good for Tobacco, and would produce exceeding good Grain of any Kind in great Abundance. It is also very good and convenient for making Indigo, and in Order to work six or eight Hands. The Land may be seen at any Time by applying to Mr. *Green*, in the Neighbourhood. Those inclinable to purchase are desired to meet on the Premises, on *Friday* the 21st of *August*, when the Terms may be agreed on. JOHN HOLT.

For SALE,

ABOUT four Hundred Acres of rich broken LAND upon *Otter* River, *Bedford* County, at the Mouth of *Falling* Creek, with a new overshot Mill, which is fixed upon a Rock, out of the Way of Freshes, about thirty Yards below a perpendicular Fall of twelve or fourteen Feet; at the Head of the Fall the Rocks project in such a Manner that a sufficient Dam has been made which could not cost above seven Shillings and Sixpence, and which no Fresh can carry away; it never wants Water, stands in a good Place for Custom, and its Wheels and Stones are well fixed and in good Order, but its natural are superiour to its artificial Conveniencies. The Terms may be known by applying to JAMES DONALD.

For SALE,

A PLANTATION containing a Hundred and seventy five Acres, on the north Fork of *Otter* River, *Bedford* County, of which there are about forty Acres cleared. It has a tolerable Peach and Apple Orchard, with a very good Meadow, a pretty good Log Dwellinghouse, and a double Log Barn. Whoever inclines to purchase may know the Terms, and be shown the Land, by the Subscriber, who lives upon it. A good Title will be made by Mr. *James Donald*, to whom it is conveyed in Trust.

ANDREW EVINS.

COMMITTED to the Jail of *Charles City*, on *Wednesday* the 15th Instant (*July*) a Negro Fellow named HARRY; he says he was sold, some Time past, by Captain *John Atkinson*, but cannot tell his Master's Name, as he ran off in the Night of the same Day his Master purchased him. The Owner is desired to take him away, and pay Charges. JAMES EPPES, Jailer.

RUN away from the Ship THORNTON, *John Kid* Commander, now lying at *Leeds* Town, six Convicts, namely: WILLIAM NICHOLSON, aged about twenty one Years, five Feet four Inches high, pitted with the Smallpox, and wears his own short black Hair; WILLIAM SMITH, about twenty seven Years of Age, a short well made Man, and has had sore Legs; PETER KNIGHT, of a very dark Complexion, and about five Feet ten Inches high; PATRICK BURN, a very ill looking Fellow, and about six Feet high; JOSEPH WADE, a short well made Man, about forty Years of Age, wears his own gray Hair, has been transported four Times under as many different Names, and is Ringleader to the rest; the above five are Seamen; ALEXANDER CLUBB, a very likely well made Man, six Feet high, wears his own long black Hair, has been some Time in the Army, and is by Trade a Shoemaker. Whoever secures them so that they may be had again shall have TWENTY SHILLINGS Reward for each, and his Expenses paid, or if brought to the Ship, the same Reward, besides what the Law allows. If they are taken up in *Maryland*, it is desired that they be delivered to Mr. *William Russell*, Merchant in *Baltimore* Town, who will give the same Reward. 4 JOHN KID.

DINWIDDIE, *June* 13, 1772.

STOLEN from the Subscriber, on *Friday* Night the 12th Instant, a bay HORSE about four Feet seven Inches high, with a short Switch Tail and hanging Mane, paces, trots, and gallops very well, has remarkable good Spirit, was shod before, but his Brand, if any, is not remembered. I will give TWENTY SHILLINGS Reward on Delivery of the Horse to me, and FIVE POUNDS on Conviction of the Thief. (Tf) NEILL BUCHANAN, Senior.

For SALE,

THE following Tracts of LAND, in *Pittsylvania*, namely, four Hundred Acres on *Banister* River, seven Hundred and seventy on *Beaver* Creek, three Hundred and forty five on *Burch's* Creek, three Hundred and eighty on *Leatherwood*, and four Hundred on *Snow* Creek. These Lands were formerly the Property of Mr. *Samuel Gordon*, deceased. The Price, and Time of Payment, may be known by applying to me in *Petersburg*. Tf JERMAN BAKER.

To be LET *on* LEASE,

A VERY large and commodious HOUSE in the Town of *Petersburg*, built for a Tavern, and well fitted for that Business; it is two Stories high, has a Number of very convenient Lodging Rooms, and large and small Rooms for the Entertainment of Guests. Any Person qualified for the Business of a Tavern Keeper, with a proper Capital, may find this as advantageous a Situation as any on the Continent. Apply to the Subscriber, who lives on the Premises.

Tf THOMAS EGLETON.

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